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Comments on Eaglemont Subdivision Application

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RE: Eaglemont PL 2012-03

Dear Mr. Popelka,

I would like to submit brief comments on the proposed Eaglemont subdivision, PL 2012-03. Hopefully there will be additional opportunities to comment on this subdivision as it progresses and more information becomes available. I was concerned about the statement on the "Notice of Land Use Action with Optional DNS", under Public Comment Procedure, that "This may be your only opportunity to comment on the environmental impacts of the proposed project."

In reviewing the Subsurface Exploration, Geologic Hazard and Geotech Engineering Report, under Hydrology, I noted the statement, "Thin zones of ground water seepage were encountered within the till at the location of pits EP-5 and EP-8 at depths of approximately three and four feet, respectively." It appears the subsurface exploration was done in the summer, so I would assume that the seepage would be much more severe during the wetter seasons. I did note a comment on page 2: "If variations in subsurface conditions are observed at the time of construction, it may be necessary to re-evaluate specific recommendations in this report and make appropriate changes." I would ask that the applicant provide sufficient safeguards (documented) that neighboring properties will not be inundated with water due to changes in the natural drainage. In the winter and spring, the water table rises significantly on this hill.

Since my potable water comes from a rather shallow well, at about 40 feet, I am concerned that construction and excavation of the area may cause problems with my well. I was unable to determine from my brief review of the documents, the depth of the various utility trenches that will be required for installation of the water, sewer and stormwater systems. At the present time, my well water is clear and of excellent quality. If during the process my well should be adversely affected, will the project applicant be responsible for remedying it? I have spent a considerable amount of money in the past in installing a new electronic pump system for my well and do not wish to incur any expenses in hooking up to city water due to the construction activity in the vicinity of my well.

I will be submitted additional comments at a later time.

Sincerely,

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